Public Telephone Office at Shameerpet

9. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to instal a Public Telephone Office at Shameerpet, Near Hyderabad in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) to (c) A small Auto Exchange of 100 lines capacity with 62 working connections already exists at Shameerpet. One Public Telephone in the Post Office and another in a Grocer Shop are also working in the area.

Prices of Ethambutol and Pyracinamide

10. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Ethambutol and Pyrazinamide are being marketed in the strength of 1 gm. tablets;

(b) if so, names of the companies who are producing and marketing the same:

(c) whether it is a fact that these tablets strengths are being sold without price approval;

(d) if so, since when and if not, what is the price fixed for each alongwith date and notification number;

(e) what steps have been taken to recover the overcharged amounts: and

(f) what is the import content in the production of Ethambutol and Pyrazinamide bulk drugs as per the latest details available with his Ministry?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A number of companies are marketing Ethambutol 1 gm tablets. To the extent information is available, the companies engaged in the marketing of Pyrazinamide 1 gm Tablets are M/s. Cadila, Lupin Labs, PCI Pharma and Alembic Chemicals Works.

(c), (d) and (f) A ceiling price of Rs. 16·03 was notified for 10's strip of Ethambutol 1000mg Tablets under DPCO, 1987, vide SO No. 98 (E) dated 25-1-1989. Rest of the required details will be collected and laid on the table of the House.

(e) Does not arise.

Payment to IDPL and & HAL

11. DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether IDPL and HAL have been given any amount other than those from the Consolidated Fund of India during 1987-88 and 1988-89;

(b) if so, what are the details of sources from which amount were given;

(c) what were the terms of such payments and what were the considerations on which these amounts were given;

(d) what are the details of liability of Government and the drug in respect of which these payments have been made;

(e) whether it is a fact that provisional losses of IDPL for the year